

## "NOT LEFT TO CHANCE."

Mr. Watterson Said Goebel Law Made Election a Sure Thing.

## MR. BELMONT GIVES OUT LETTERS.

Threats Against the L. & N., and How They Were Received.

Unreasonable to Expect Corporate Interests to Disregard Threatened Injury.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 17.—Owing to the pressure brought upon him from all sides to give a defense to bitter attacks in the newspapers based upon his letter to Henry Watterson, August Belmont, chairman of the Board of Directors of the L. & N. Railroad Company, has released the entire correspondence between himself and Mr. Watterson, and incidentally Mr. Watterson's letter, a sight of which so many have desired to obtain. It appears that the Watterson letter furnishes an important link in the controversy, placing as it does Mr. Watterson on record as exploiting the Goebel election law as an "airtight cinch" that it would not be well for the L. & N. railroad to disregard.

The following is Mr. Belmont's order by wire releasing the correspondence:

New York, Feb. 15, 1900.  
M. H. Smith, President L. & N. R. Co., Louisville, Ky.:

Persistent allusions to the correspondence of Col. Watterson and myself of July last and a tendency to misrepresent its supposed contents compel me to authorize the publication by you of the entire correspondence, as well as the minutes of the meeting of the board of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company, copy of which was sent to Col. Watterson at that time. The reasons for my hesitation to give the correspondence to the public, apart from my already expressed feeling that it was not an opportune time in the present state of public mind in Kentucky, were that I felt reluctant without Col. Watterson's consent to publish the letter of a gentleman in Col. Watterson's position and for whom I have always entertained a personal regard, containing the bald statement made before the actual campaign had fairly begun that the election was not to be "left to chance," which meant, of course, that the will of the people was not to determine the result of the contest. Coming from him, recognized as he was then and has since proved himself to be an influential supporter of Mr. Goebel, such a statement was well calculated to alarm all vested interests in Kentucky to which Mr. Goebel and his adherents were known to be hostile, the property especially to his supervision being especially singled out by them for assault and destruction, if their public utterances during the past campaign, and since, are to be taken as index, for I say now and do not propose to be drawn from the position I feel my official duty and trust required, as well as my personal dignity that I will under no circumstances enter into a controversy with Col. Watterson or his newspaper, feeling that the abuse of both the officers of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad individually and the corpo-

purpose than to abuse the Courier Journal. If you will cause to be sent to you the Dispatch and the Evening Post for a single week and will look over them each day you will be able to see for yourself how the matter stands. On that showing alone I would be willing to risk the case.

In my judgment the situation is both momentous and critical and ought to arrest the serious attention of those who control the policy of the road.

As I said at the beginning, I write as a friend. The Courier-Journal has nothing to fear from the conflict forced upon it by the managers of the road. On the contrary, it has something to gain. But neither Mr. Halldeman nor myself want to profit at the expense of the road. For Mr. Smith we have always entertained the kindest sentiments. But Mr. Smith is no more proof against mistakes than other people, and, being a man of unyielding temper, he is likely to be carried to extremes. In this business he has certainly allowed his temper to carry him far beyond the lines of worldly wisdom and a prudent forecast, and if a halt be not called upon the proceedings, its evil consequences are as sure as the coming of the next session of the Kentucky legislature. Sincerely your friend  
HENRY WATTERSON.

August Belmont, Esq.

The following is an extract from the minutes of a meeting of the board of directors of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company, which was held at the company's office, No. 120 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, July 11, 1899, at 2:15 o'clock p. m.:

The chairman submitted a letter from the Hon. Henry Watterson, editor, Courier-Journal, dated Louisville, Ky., June 30, 1899, reading as follows:

"Whereas, the Louisville & Nashville R. R. Co., being an artificial person, can not hold office; and

"Whereas, the duties of the officers to the company prohibit them from seeking or holding political office, in fact, none of them are seeking such office; and

"Whereas, the managers of the company have not made themselves in any way responsible for the two newspapers referred to, and have not set up as their 'visible and accredited representative' Mr. John Whallen, nor committed any unfriendly act towards the Courier-Journal; and

"Whereas, the management of the Louisville & Nashville R. R. Co., recognizes that the rights and franchise it now enjoys were granted to it for the purpose set forth in its various charters, and also fully realizes its duty to the public; and

"Whereas, corporate interests generally, in common with private interests, have a right to be heard at the bar of public opinion; be it

"Resolved, That as the management does not now, it will not enter the field of politics, nor aid or injure any candidate of any party for the purpose of shaping or controlling party action. When, however, any individual or political party attacks and seeks to injure the property entrusted to its care, and to deny to it its proper rights by inciting a hostile sentiment among the people it serves, and threatens to cripple and harass its operations, and thus impair its ability and its efficiency in the performance of its proper and lawful rights and duties the company will avail itself of all proper and lawful means to protect its interests by an appeal to the great body of the people, on whom it relies for protection, as it does for patronage;

"Resolved, That this board views with apprehension the attitude of that portion of the democratic party of Kentucky as represented by the Hon. William Goebel, the nominee for the office of governor, and his publicly avowed hostility against the Louisville & Nashville R. R. Co. and especially the positive assurance of Mr. Watterson that under existing laws Senator Goebel, as the nominee, will be elected to the office of governor, regardless, or in

spite of the predilection of a majority of the voters in the State;

"Resolved, That in view of the threatened injury to the company's interests the management is hereby authorized and instructed to adopt such proper and lawful measures as promise to protect the interests of the company and to that end is instructed to appeal to the people of Kentucky, whom it has so long served and with whose interests it has been and is so intimately identified, for protection from its avowed enemies, and as such, this board believes, the enemies of the best interests of the State;

"Resolved, That a certified copy of these minutes be furnished Mr. Watterson.

"On motion, the board adjourned.  
(Signed) AUGUST BELMONT, Chairman."

Attest: (Signed) A. W. Morris, "Assistant Secretary."

Here follows the frequently quoted Belmont letter, which was made the subject of much campaign thunder.

Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co., Equitable Building, 120 Broadway, New York, July 11, 1899.

My Dear Col. Watterson:—Your favor of the 30th ult. was duly received. Fully recognizing the danger which you so graphically describe, I submitted your communication to my co-directors, and I inclose herewith copy of resolutions this day adopted.

You are well aware that the L. & N. R. R. Co., should not, and does not engage in partisan politics. Its interest, like those of many other corporations, are subject to attack, especially by vicious legislators, and, necessarily, when so attacked, the management must adopt proper measures of defense.

It would be unreasonable to expect corporate interests to so wholly disregard the injury inflicted or threatened by constant attacks of political agitators as to be entirely silent so long as the politicians seek office by appeal to the passions and prejudices of the voters and especially by efforts to excite hostile feelings, to be followed by hostile legislation. The only protection to corporate interests generally is to appeal to the sober judgment of the people. This is a right enjoyed by all, individual and corporation alike, and the exercise of this right should not be construed as meddling in politics.

The management of the L. & N. R. R. Co. does not desire, even if it had power without the expenditure of a dollar, to influence, much less direct, party politics, nor to impair or promote the political fortunes of any candidate, unless the efforts of the candidate indorse and party of the candidate indorse and support measures and policies which would injure the company in the enjoyment of its legal rights, and in the prosecution of its proper and lawful business.

I have made such investigations as enable me to assure you that the management has not, up to this time, established the relations described by you with the two newspapers, and that the relations between them and Mr. John H. Whallen arise from the fact that they, the L. & N. R. R. Co., desire that the political ambitions of the Hon. William Goebel be not gratified. Nevertheless, no one understands better than you the influence of the press as a means of educating the public and disseminating information, and I am sure you will readily concede that it will be entirely proper for the L. & N. R. R. Co., in the defense of its interests, to aid in disseminating information through the press. It is to me a source of regret that in this critical juncture the columns of the Courier-Journal are not available, and that we are, therefore, compelled to rely upon those who openly threaten, and are endeavoring to injure, and it is possible to destroy material interests of the State of Kentucky, for the railroads and their railroads are such.

Recognizing the mutual benefits that have in the past resulted from the friendly association between the Courier-Journal and the L. & N. R. R. Co. and the encouragement which the efforts of the management has received in its endeavor to furnish improved transportation facilities and develop the resources of the State, and regretting the present complications, I remain, with personal regards to yourself and Mr. Halldeman,

Yours very truly,  
(Signed) AUGUST BELMONT, Chairman.  
Col. Henry Watterson, Editor, Courier-Journal, Louisville, Ky.

## AGAIN AT FRANKFORT

Senate and House Hippodroming in the Capitol.

## TWO SENATES, ONE HOUSE.

Democrats Still Manufacturing Political Capital Out of Goebel's Death.

Frankfort, Feb. 19.—Senator Carter passed the word around this morning that the Democratic branch of the Senate would meet at 9 o'clock. Lieut. Gov. Marshall announced that "the Senate does not meet until 10:30."

Promptly at 10:30 Marshall and Carter gapped for order, Carter with a pen knife, and Marshall with a gavel, simultaneously. Then in chorus both said, amid laughter, "The Senate will now come to order."

Shortly before 10:30 Carter slipped rapidly into the Speakers chair. A moment later Marshall smiling broadly, took the seat alongside of Carter. He had been standing nearby, both shook hands pleasantly, and Carter moved up to make room for Marshall. Applause and laughter came from the floor. Apparently the expected clash was not going to materialize. At any rate the two claimants for the gavel showed no indications of a beligerent nature.

The Rev. Darsie prayed that peace and harmony might prevail. Both Mr. Marshall and Mr. Carter then asked for petitions, motions and bills. Amid some confusion Mr. Allen offered a resolution. Mr. Carter ordered it read. While Desha was reading out the resolution Senator Cox (Rep.) moved to adjourn until noon to-morrow.

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until noon to-morrow. Mr. Barret seconded the motion, and Mr. Marshall put the motion. All the Republicans voted in favor of adjourning, and the Republicans moved out amid cheers and good natured jeers from the Democrats, all of whom remained in their seats.

"Gentlemen, keep order," said Mr. Carter; "the Senate of Kentucky is in session."

IN THE HOUSE.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 19.—Punctually at noon Speaker Trimble rapped for order. The House was crowded.

The Rev. Lew Wallace, chaplain of the prison, offered prayer. The journal of Saturday's proceedings at Louisville was read. The Republican members refused to answer roll call. Fifty-three men answered to their names.

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When Mr. Orr was reached the gentleman from Owen said he wished to speak. He said to attempt to ratify any former action by the Legislature put that former action in a peculiar light. Therefore he refused to vote. At this time there were a few hisses. "Snakes hiss, men don't," flashed out Orr, and the noise ceased. The vote stood 74 to 2 in favor of adopting the resolution. There were loud cheers. The joint session then adjourned.

Several Election Violators.  
Lexington, Ky., Feb. 19.—United States Marshal McNary arrested here D. Hayes, Dan Williams, Tom Craine, Dennis McNamara, John J. McKenna, deputy county clerk, and John Ryan, upon bench warrants from the Federal court. These men were charged with conspiracy at the last November election to prevent negroes voting at precinct 19, where many negroes were intimidated. Indictments have already been found against a number of other Democratic election workers, and the trials will come up at the March term of the federal court at Louisville.







## SENTIMENT IN CHRISTIAN.

Letter from Walter Kelley Says Independent Democrats Solid.

"JUDGE" HOWELL'S "STUFF" FUNNY.

Following is a pertinent letter from a Hopkinsville independent Democrat, written to the Louisville Evening Post, giving what he says is the sentiment in Christian county on the political situation:

Editor Evening Post:

In today's issue of the Courier-Journal "Judge" W. R. Howell, of Christian county, is liberally quoted and great weight is evidently given to his utterances. To those who know the "Judge" the stuff is too funny to be noticed. To those who don't know him it is well enough to say that he has never been and never will be.

Purely by accident he slipped in as Commonwealth's Attorney, and sometimes attends to the duties of his office, but for many weeks he has made Frankfort his headquarters, and since Mr. Goebel was shot, know little, if any, more about local sentiment than his friend, Mr. Aginaldo, does. William is perfectly harmless, and Kentucky need not be disturbed because of his presence.

I have been in close touch with the element in the Democratic party which opposed what is known as Goebellism, and know personally nearly every one in this city who openly stood for true Democracy, and if there is but one who has weakened I have failed to find him. The opposition here is very strong, so much so that the County Election Board had to throw out about 700 votes to keep the Republican majority down to normal. In addition to this, one precinct in particular, which has a normal Republican majority of eighty, gave Mr. Goebel twenty-one majority. This all in the face of the fact that there was a strong anti-Goebel element among the Democrats, with not a Republican in the precinct for Mr. Goebel. Other precincts were manipulated very much in the same way. Instead of Western Kentucky being solid for the gang at Frankfort, which is headed by Blackburn and Beckham, it is just the opposite. The good Democrats in this section would thank Mr. Howell, not to misrepresent them in print any more. WALTER KELLEY, Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 13.

## Wm. Cardwell Dead.

Mr. Wm. Cardwell, one of Hopkins Counties oldest and most respected citizens, died at his home in the country last Monday. He was one of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of the county and had many friends who are pained to learn of his death. THE BEE extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

## STARVED

Slow growth of hair comes from lack of hair food. The hair has no life. It is starved. It keeps coming out, gets thinner and thinner, bald spots appear, then actual baldness.

The only good hair food you can buy is—

**AYER'S Hair Vigor**

It feeds the roots, stops starvation, and the hair grows thick and long. It cures dandruff also. Keep a bottle of it on your dressing table.

It always restores color to faded or gray hair. Mind, we say "always."

50c a bottle. All druggists.

"I have found my hair Vigor to be the best remedy I have ever tried for the hair. It has been falling out very bad, as I thought I would try a bottle of it. I had used only one bottle, and my hair stopped falling out, and is now red thick and long."

JAMES A. MONTGOMERY, Yorkville, N.Y.

Write the Doctor. He will send you his book on the Hair and Scalp. Ask him any question you wish about your hair. You will receive a prompt answer free of charge. Send for it now.

## WAR OF STEEL KINGS.

The Present Expected to Be an Important Week in the Carnegie-Frick Controversy.

CARNEGIE WILL RETURN FROM FLORIDA.

He Will Personally Oversee the Preparation of the Answer to Mr. Frick's Bill of Particulars and Make the Final Corrections Before it is Filed.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 20.—It is expected that this will be an important week in the Frick-Carnegie controversy. Word, it is said, has been received from Andrew Carnegie at the Carnegie Steel Co.'s office that he will be in Pittsburgh this week. He is expected to personally oversee the final preparation of the answer to Mr. Frick's bill of particulars, and make the last corrections to it before the paper is filed. This will probably be done a few days after Mr. Carnegie's return from Florida.

The Case Will Be Resolved. After the filing of the answer, judging from the talk now indulged in, the case will be rushed. It is generally expected that, no matter which way the decisions of the lower courts go, the suit will be appealed first to the superior court of Pennsylvania and then to the higher courts.

The Commercial Gazette is authority for the statement that Mr. Carnegie has been informed by a telegram from the Carnegie Steel Co.'s officers that Messrs. Phillips, Lovejoy and Curry had refused to join with the other defendants in accepting service of the H. C. Frick bill in equity, and that each of these individual members had employed individual counsel in the matter.

Somewhat Peculiar.

This move, the attorneys of Mr. Carnegie regard as somewhat peculiar, as they feel the answer of three of the defendants will be entirely different from the others. An acknowledgment by three of the defendants to the suit that some or all of the allegations set forth in Mr. Frick's bill are true, and consequently they could not defend themselves, would certainly complicate matters considerably, and would greatly aid in the difficulty of unraveling the equities of the case.

The Coke Suit Next.

It is also expected that early this week the coke suit of H. C. Frick, Henry Hughes, Jr., John Walker and other minority holders of the coke company stock will be entered. This suit, according to the best of authority, is just the opposite. The good Democrats in this section would thank Mr. Howell, not to misrepresent them in print any more. WALTER KELLEY, Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 13.

Attorneys' Chamber, McGill and Cunningham entered their appearance in common plea case No. 1, for H. C. Frick against Andrew Carnegie and other members of the Carnegie Steel Co., limited. This gives all the defendants representation on the record.

## FO DIE IN SING SING PRISON

Roland B. Molinoux Sentenced to be Executed During the Week of March 20.

New York, Feb. 17.—Roland B. Molinoux was sentenced to die in Sing Sing prison during the week of March 20, for the murder of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams. He made a statement asserting that he had not been fairly convicted and that "every man in the world" had put a price upon his head. Recorder Goff in pronouncing sentence reminded the defendant that his counsel had already presented all the facts to the jury and that the court had but the one duty to perform.

Gen. Molinoux was asked about the fact it was proper to raise him to defray expenses he had been under by the trial and he said when inquiry was made regarding his acceptance. "Absolutely and under no circumstances, would I accept such a sum."

HE'S SHORT IN HIS ACCOUNTS.

Postmaster at Clinton, Mo., Arrested for Embezzlement of Government Funds.

Cable Service Interrupted.

New York, Feb. 17.—The Commercial Cable Co. has issued the following notice: "Owing to the continuance of the storm in England, the Great Northern Telegraph Co.'s lines between London and New York are still interrupted, and there is no immediate prospect of restoration. The eastern company advise an average of 24 hours delay for the same reason."

Our New Warships.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Uncle Sam now has 61 vessels authorized or under construction. Some of the best of these ships are nearly completed, and by the end of the year 22 vessels will be commissioned. In May the Kearsarge will be ready for its crew; in June the Kentucky will be completed, and the Alabama will have the finishing touches put upon it in July.

Started Up on Full Time.

Philadelphia, Feb. 20.—Sprockels' sugar refinery, owned by the American Sugar Refining Co., which has been closed since last Monday, has started up on full time. The thousand men returned to work.

College Burned.

New Orleans, Feb. 20.—The St. Charles college, at Grand Coteau, La., where a large valuable library, was destroyed by fire Sunday, loss, \$50,000.

## FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

In the senate, on the 19th, discussion of the Philippine question was resumed. Mr. McKinley (La.) opposing the permanent acquisition of the islands, and Mr. Stewart (Nev.) advocating the admission of the products of any of the island possessions of the United States free. The bill providing a form of government for Alaska was read. In the house most of the day was devoted to attacks upon speech made by Mr. Hays (Iowa, Term.) on the 18th, on the question of pensions. The currency bill was then received from the senate, its amendments disagreed to and conference appointed.

In the senate, on the 19th, the senate substitute for the house currency bill was passed by the decisive majority of 49 yeas, 29 nays. Of the amendments offered by the two bodies were: One offered by the finance committee, keeping the door open to international bimetalism, and one by Mr. Nelson (Maine), providing for national banks with \$250,000 capital in towns of more than 4,000 inhabitants. As passed the bill makes the dollar 100 grains of gold, nine-tenths fine, the standard of value, all forms of United States money to be maintained at a parity with it, and the house consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriations bill was continued.

The senate was not in session on the 19th. In the house the relative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was passed after four days consideration. The civil service appropriation, which was passed in committee on the 18th, was restored before the final vote on the bill by a vote of 121 to 77. Mr. Sulzer (N.Y.) charged the republican party with "corrupting" the civil service. Mr. Brewster (N.Y.) drew forth a reply from Mr. Grosvenor (Conn.) who accused Sulzer of "hypocritism" through the will as a vice-presidential candidate.

In the senate, on the 19th, a bill for the relief of claimants having claims against the United States in the circuit court of appeals was passed. Mr. Hale offered a resolution, which after a long constitutional debate, was adopted, calling for information as to why the late congress relating to telephone charges had not been enforced and practically was ineffective. The house bill, which had not been enforced and practically was ineffective, was passed by a vote of 121 to 77. The bill was passed by a vote of 121 to 77.

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Church Lifted Out of Debt.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 20.—Wesley church, the largest Methodist church in the city, and the handsomest house of worship in the northwest, is free from debt. At the morning service, Sunday, in response to the urging of the pastor, Rev. James S. Montgomery, the congregation contributed, in 30 minutes, at the rate of \$20 a minute, a total of \$3,000, sufficient to pay every penny of the indebtedness and leave a few thousands over for a rainy day.

A Classified Census of Livestock.

A Washington, Feb. 17.—Gov. Merriam, director of the census, has appointed Charles F. Martin, of Denver, secretary of the National Livestock association, as special agent in charge of the taking of a classified census of livestock for the Eleventh census. Mr. Martin is a resident of Denver, and his headquarters for this division of the work, which embraces all the range country, will be established in Denver, and active work will be commenced at once.

Accumulation of Money.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The rapid accumulation of money in the treasury during the present month is increasing the anxiety of the treasury officials that there will be intense pressure for currency in the autumn unless something is done by congress to increase the currency supply or reduce the accumulation of money in Washington and New York.

A Senator Elkins Gets a Fall.

A Washington, Feb. 20.—Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, fell on the icy sidewalk near the capitol during the snowstorm, Saturday afternoon, sustaining bruises about the body and a general shake-up. The senator was about his room Sunday, and the attending physician says his condition is not serious.

Cleared from New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 20.—The steamer Montezuma, with 1,500 mules and a large cargo of foodstuffs for the British army operating in South Africa, cleared Sunday for Cape Town. The steamship Tigra, carrying a cargo of 6,000 bales of cotton and 5,000 tons of phosphate rock, cleared for Kobe, Japan.

Deers Issued Cols.

Lourenco Marquez, Feb. 17.—The Transvaal government is coining 150,000 Krugger sovereigns each month. Fictitious silver coins, called English florins, of the dates of 1895 and 1896, are also being minted. The dies are imperfect, but their money was placed in circulation at Delagoa bay last month.

Died Away from Home.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 20.—L. B. Pierce, of Boston, one of the better judges, who had been ill with pneumonia since arriving in Lincoln, to attend the buttermakers' annual convention, died Monday morning, and his funeral was held Monday afternoon. His body will be sent to Boston.

French Made a Major-General.

London, Feb. 18.—The queen has promoted Gen. French to be major-general. French, heretofore, has only ranked as a colonel in the army, with the local rank of lieutenant-general. Lieut.-Col. Kekewich has been promoted colonel, for services in the defence of Kimberley.

A Generous Gift.

Philadelphia, Feb. 17.—Provost Harrison, of the University of Pennsylvania, announces that a gift of \$25,000 has been made to the university by Mrs. Thomas McKean, of this city.

At a Ripe Old Age.

Boston, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Annie E. Lodge, member of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, died at her home in this city Monday. She was 79 years of age.

## 18. CLASS REGISTRATION.

Department Store Law So Declared by the Supreme Court of the State of Missouri.

IT IS THEREFORE UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The Law Only Applied to St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph. The Court Blasted the Last Hope of Theodore H. Kennedy, Sentenced to Seventeen Years.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 21.—The supreme court, in a decision, signed by Judge Robinson, declared the department store law passed by the last legislature to be unconstitutional and void, for the reason that law is clearly class legislation, and because the act is incomplete and not a law, and does not constitute a rule of conduct, and for the further reason that the law imposes an occupation tax as a license to do business.

The law applied to only St. Joseph, Kansas City, St. Louis, and to stores in those cities employing clerks. This feature is objected to in the opinion, for the reason that law is clearly class legislation, and because the act is incomplete and not a law, and does not constitute a rule of conduct, and for the further reason that the law imposes an occupation tax as a license to do business.

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FORMER ACTION RATIFIED.

Democrats in Joint Session Confirm the Election of William Goebel as Governor.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 22.—The democratic members of the two houses of the legislature met in joint session at three o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and by a vote of 72 to 20 ratified the former proceedings by which William Goebel was declared governor of the state.

The republican members of the legislature remained away from the joint session in the afternoon, having declared in the morning that they would not support the ratification resolutions.

The senate had adopted the resolutions Monday, and the house Tuesday, and the adoption of them by the joint assembly, from the democratic standpoint, puts the finishing touch as to its action on the contest.

In the session of the joint assembly Tuesday afternoon Senator Triplett, an Representative Grider voted against the ratification resolutions. Mr. Grider, in explanation of his vote, said he had hoped that there would be a full and fair investigation of the contest, and that he hoped to be able to vote with the democrats, but he could not satisfy his own conscience and so in this matter.

Mr. Grider declined to vote. He said he had voted with the democrats in their previous session and did not think ratification of those former proceedings necessary now. The lobbies were crowded, and when Speaker Trimble announced the vote the joint assembly there was a mild outburst of applause.

GOVERNORSHIP CONTEST.

Lawyers Laboring to Avoid a Clash of Authority.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 22.—The attorneys for Taylor and Beckham were Tuesday afternoon in session at the capitol, for the purpose of discussing propositions to settle which of the two injunction suits relating to the contest over the governorship shall have precedence on the consolidation of both cases, in order to avoid a clash between courts over the questions involved in jurisdiction. The Beckham suit is set for hearing before Judge Cantrell, at Georgetown, Friday, and the attorneys will attempt to agree upon a plan of action and facts forming the basis of the suit, and as to what judge the agreed case shall be tried before.

Leander J. McCormick Dead.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—Leander J. McCormick, member of the famous hardware machinery firm, and founder of the Leander McCormick observatory of the University of Virginia, died of pneumonia at the Virginia hotel today.

Wm. W. Wicker Dead.

New York, Feb. 21.—Wm. W. Wicker is dead at his home in Brooklyn, aged 80. He was pioneer in the shipment of refrigerated goods, and sent to England the first consignment of American dressed meat.

Died to a Man.

London, Feb. 20.—A dispatch to the Times from Nauyport describing the retirement to Arundel, draws attention to 20 men of the Victoria mounted rifles, who were caught in a trap and died to a man, fighting to the last.

Went Down With Their Bank.

Boston, Feb. 20.—Pulsifer, Cook & Co., paper dealers, made an assignment Monday to Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, died at her home in this city Monday. She was 79 years of age.

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The matron of a well known Masonic Home mentions one inmate,

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1900.

AND now the injunction suit against Mr. Beckham goes to the United States Supreme court.

WHATEVER else happens Judge Walter Evans is holding the election violators strictly up and facing the severity of the law, as it will be administered surely at his hands. He sounds the deathknell of election robbery and bulldozing at the polls.

THE industrial growth of the South is puzzling to those statesmen who have always opposed the national policies which have made this growth possible. In time the people in Dixie will learn to appreciate the principles upon which their industrial prosperity is to rest.—Peoria (Ill.) Journal.

THE Haldemanites in the Legislature said they would appropriate \$100,000 of the State's money for the capture and conviction of the murderer of Senator Goebel. They got such a scare when the matter was broached in caucus that they threw up their hands and said \$10,000 would do.

IN the savings banks of New York State there are on deposit more than one billion dollars. The total resources January 1, amounted to \$1,000,209,099, which is an increase of \$96,788,298, as compared with the corresponding date the year before. These large savings of the people is a good sign of good times.

IF there is a factory in the United States which does not expect to carry an increased pay roll for 1900, some one should point it out. It would be a grain of comfort for those whose theories have been so ruthlessly knocked over by the steady forward strides of old Mr. Business.—Topeka (Kan.) Capital.

THE Democratic "House," that went without the public prayers of the ministers in their Louisville "sessions," managed to muster the prison chaplain to pray for them at their first Frankfort session. It was well, Mayhap, between the presence of a few Republicans and the strong petitions of this minister accustomed to wrestle for case hardened sinners in stripes, some good may be invoked, some evil exorcised.

THE State is fast getting a burden of debt in these contests by the men who were defeated at the polls last November. One single Republican State Administration had redeemed the State's credit, which was the State's discredit when Gov. Bradley took the reins of government after an age of Democratic rule. But though the Goebel ticket was not entrained by the people with the State's funds they are succeeding in plundering the treasury by their prolonged attempt to take that which is not theirs of place and power. The State will remember again who it was that plundered the public treasury a second time and for cause—defeated political

Democratic legislators grow tired of such maudlin sentimental legislation indulged to such extent. Senator Goebel's taking in the Democratic caucus last Monday night sprung the question of

appropriating \$100,000 of the State's funds to capture Goebel's murderer and \$10,000 additional with which to pay lawyers who would prosecute. There were objections on all sides and the proposition was cut to \$10,000 for the murderer and \$5,000 for each accomplice convicted. This was still not satisfactory and no conclusion was reached. Even the most extreme democratic partisan cannot play at folly all the year.

SOME Democrats wanted to hold up the State for \$100,000 to be spent on the conviction of Goebel's murderer, others wanted a big appropriation for a statue to be erected in the Capitol grounds on the site of the fountain by which he fell, and still another proposed to make a monument of Mr. Goebel's seat in the Senate chamber by enclosing it with a steel railing marked with memorial tablets. Sentimental is all very well and a man's memory must be cherished by his friends, else we are inhuman; but these things are the evidences of political capital made of Senator Goebel's sad ending. They are extreme, they are mad, and would, if made effective, be an imposition on the State.

A CORONER's inquest held regularly in accordance with law would have put on record certain important facts relative to Mr. Goebel's death, which are yet kept secret and clothed with mystery. One chief fact which the people wanted established by scientific demonstration will remain a secret—the point of entrance and the course of the bullet. Surgeons declare that it is a fact in surgery that the point of entrance of a bullet in a human body, as in any other body through which a bullet passes, is smaller than the point of exit. All are agreed that the bullet hole in Mr. Goebel's body was smaller in the back than in the breast, but no official investigation of the wound was permitted, and the efforts of the friends of Mr. Goebel have been directed towards producing stories about the alleged shooting from the building in which are the offices of the State officials, and the promulgation of infamous and unfounded innuendo, attempting to couple with the assassination the name or names of somebody, anybody, of prominence. The people are suspecting a purpose in all this concealment.

### Democrats Too Slow in the Count.

There is a profound philosophy in the concluding paragraphs of the last letter of Mr. Dooley upon the politics of Kentucky:

"They ought to fire out th' Republicans," said Mr. Hennessy. "Sure 'tis comin' to a nice state in affairs whin th' likes iv me can defy th' courts." "True Fr ye," said Mr. Dooley. "But don't be th' looker in fr'm our side iv th' house. Whinver a Dimmycrat has to go to court to win an illicion I get suspicious. They're something w-r-wrong in Kentucky, Hinnissy. We were too slow in th' count."

### THE PURPOSE OF THE CONSPIRACY.

What is the purpose of the conspiracy against popular government in Kentucky? It is thus set forth by Mr. Uriah Woodson in the Owensboro Messenger:

"The white, property-owning, respectable people of Kentucky are going to control the government of this commonwealth now and hereafter, and they are going to legislate some respect for law and decency into the heads of 2,500 arrogant moneybags and their satellites and hangers-on who have chosen to affiliate politically with 75,000 ignorant negroes and as many more vicious and red-handed mountaineers, the struggle for supremacy is about over, and the end will prove in this State, as it has in other States, that only the people who are capable of good government will be permitted to govern."

### II.

How is this purpose to be accomplished? It is told by Mr. Waterson in his letter to Mr. Belmont, June 30, 1899, summed up in this sentence:

"The Democratic State Ticket just nominated will certainly be elected. Under the operation of the Goebel Law the result is not left to chance."

Here we have the purpose and the method by which that purpose is to be reached—a government by privileged classes; a government by property owners; a government from which the mountaineers, the day laborer, the railroad employe, the farmhand and all negroes are to be excluded; a government by Woodson, Waterson, Chinn, Lewis, Suter, Kohn and Phelps; established forever in Kentucky by means of an election law which destroys all chance, all choice, and makes the end certain from the beginning.

How do you like that picture, men of Kentucky?—Louisville Evening Post.

## STATE MUSEUM UNHARMED

Kentucky Historic Society Flakes Official Investigation.

### FAKE PUBLICATION EXPOSED.

Soldiers Did no Damage to the Valuable Collection.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 18.—In response to a request from Col. Roger D. Williams, of Lexington, Mrs. J. C. Bailey and Mr. Walter G. Chapman, of the executive board of the Kentucky Historical society, have made an investigation and found that none of the society's property has been molested by the soldiers who were quartered in the room.

The Louisville Goebel organ published a sensational story making such a charge several days ago. The soldiers who occupied the room of the Kentucky Historical society were members of the Louisville Legion. About ten days ago the Goebel organs started a similar story, which was found to be false.

"I went at the time to investigate," said Mrs. Bailey, "and found everything unmolested. Mrs. Lemon, who was with me, cautioned the soldiers against disturbing anything. The captain who was showing us about, replied: 'Madam, we are Kentuckians,' and assured us that no harm would come the collections."

"Upon receipt of Col. Williams' letter, I went to investigate again yesterday, with Mr. Walter Chapman. We found the room in charge of the custodian of the building, Capt. Ed Porter Thompson. He stated that everything was clean and in good order as far as he could see."

"Then he gave us the key and Mr. Chapman and I looked over the exhibits for ourselves. So far as we could see nothing whatever was injured. The cases where the newspapers and books are locked up. On the table we had a block of wood from the old North church in Boston, a tomahawk and some few other relics, and every one was just as we left it."

### L. & N.'S PURPOSE.

Change of Name and Removal of Shops Indicated in Stock Report.

The following says the Louisville Evening Post was today received by Messrs. Hunt & Hutchings in their special stock report:

"The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, embracing lines from St. Louis, Mo., to the Atlantic coast, and from the Ohio river to the Gulf of Mexico, is soon to be known as the St. Louis, Nashville & New Orleans Railroad Company. The change of name is a point that has been considered by the directors of the company in connection with the contemplated removal of the general offices from Louisville to St. Louis, and the transfer of the shops from Louisville to Nashville."

## "Strike For Your Altars and Your Fires."

Patriotism is always commendable, but in every breast there should be not only the desire to be a good citizen, but to be strong, able bodied and well fitted for the battle of life. To do this, pure blood is absolutely necessary, and Hood's Sarsaparilla is the one specific which cleanses the blood thoroughly. It acts equally well for both sexes and all ages.

Humor—"When I need a blood purifier I take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures my humor and is excellent as a nerve tonic." Isaac Eaton, Stafford Springs, Ct.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
Never Disappoints  
Hood's Sarsaparilla cures liver, the most infested and only pollutant to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

### ST. LOUIS MERCHANTS

Send Congratulations and Encouragement to Gov. Taylor.

Frankfort, Feb. 18.—Governor Taylor is still receiving letters and messages of congratulation and encouragement. The following came today from the Merchants' League club, composed of the leading business men of St. Louis:

"Hon. W. S. Taylor, Governor of Kentucky: Sir—The following resolution was unanimously adopted at the regular meeting, February 14, of the Merchants' League club of the city of St. Louis and the State of Missouri, representing a membership of over 5,000 patriotic republicans and law-abiding citizens:

"Resolved, That we send greeting to the Hon. W. S. Taylor, governor of Kentucky, and express our congratulation and admiration for the gallant and patriotic stand he has taken in behalf of the republican party of his state and nation, and more especially do we commend and approve his course in the brave, fearless, noble and self-sacrificing fight he is making in the defense and for the upholding of the purity of the ballot, the cornerstone on which our government rests, and be it further

"Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded with all possible dispatch to the Hon. W. S. Taylor, governor of Kentucky."

"Yours respectfully,  
Ed H. BAUMANN,  
Secretary Merchants' State League Club.

### Good for the Children.

Mrs. Ella Wilson, of Hinton, Ala., writes us August 12, 1898: "I advise all mothers to give their children **Plaster's Kidney Pills** when they are young or fretful. I keep this medicine in the house and when the children are ailing I give them a dose and that is the last of it." Sold by St. Bernard Druggists.

To Cure La Grippe in Two Days Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Groves' signature on every box. See

Little Hoary Woodson is being "mentioned" as a candidate for Governor, but some people insist on joking even about important things.

Faults of digestion cause disorders of the liver, the whole system becomes deranged. Herbine perfects the process of digestion and assimilation, and makes pure blood. Price 50 cents. St. Bernard Druggists.

By all means find the guilty man. But if an intelligent effort has been made in this direction by the Democratic officers, it has not been made known.

Money to patent good idea may be secured by our aid. Address, Tink Patent Record, Baltimore, Md.

Hay, Oats, Feedmeal, Bran and Chicken Feed at McLeod's.

Hogg, of Texas, is charged with having attended a high tea in New York, given by Mrs. Lily Langtry de Bathe; but Hogg, of Texas, claims that he thought the tea was of the same brew so popular in Texas.

**Dr. Bull's**  
Has saved many a life!  
Specially cured Croup and Whooping-cough, Itisals and sore. Mothers can afford to give it to their Children like it. Doses are small. Price 25 cents.

### New City Hall.

Bowling Green's new city hall is nearly completed. It is four stories high and has about 75 rooms. It is a magnificent structure—one of the grandest in the western part of the state and citizens of Bowling Green have a right to be proud of it.

### Wonderful Discovery.

LUNSFORD, ALA., April 15, 1899. NEW SPENCER MEDICINE CO. Dear Sirs:—I have been troubled with Liver and stomach complaint. I had no appetite and my general health was very bad. I took medicine from four different doctors and they failed to do me any good. I got no relief until I began to use your Nubian Tea. I used about two dollars worth of it, and it did me more good than all the medicine I ever took. I have gained thirty-five pounds in weight and my health is very good. I can sleep soundly and my appetite is excellent. I can recommend Planter's Nubian Tea to be of use as being a God-send to any community. Any one who doubts this statement can write to me.  
OSCAR BAKER,  
Sold by St. Bernard Druggists.

There are silk mills in nineteen States and the 750 factories are distributed in 230 towns. Uncle Sam is now importing \$41,000 worth of silk annually.

### Consumption Cured

Dr. Otto's Spruce Gum Balsam will cure any case of consumption if started as soon as the consumption starts with a slight cough or cold. This is where consumption gets its start and if you will use Dr. Otto's Spruce Gum Balsam, you will cure the cough, heal the lungs and throat and avoid the most dreaded of all diseases, consumption. Delay in attending to a slight cough may cost you your life. Large size bottles, Price 25c and 50c. For sale by St. Bernard Druggists.

The Hessian fly is reported to have made extensive ravages in the wheat of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

### Chronic Sore Leg.

Mr. J. Richardson had a running sore on his leg for 20 years. Tried doctors and medicines without end or any permanent good. Mr. L. B. Nunnally, druggist, Hartford, Ia., recommended Morley's Sarsaparilla and Iron to cure the cause of the sore and make it heal from the inside. A few bottles cured my leg, and you live in better health than I have been for 20 years. Sold by Campbell & Co.

Copper mines of the United States produced in January, 20,913 tons of the metal.

WALKER'S TONIC is the link that picks up the vital force of man in his run-down state and binds him to health and strength by recuperating the brain, regulating the action of the heart and nourishing the Nervous system.

John Brown's birthplace in Litchfield, Conn., is to be purchased and restored by a society organized for the purpose.

Frequently accidents occur in the household, which cause burns, cuts, sprains. For use in such cases Ballard's Snow Liniment has for many years been the constant favorite family remedy. Price, 25c and 50c. St. Bernard Druggists.

The largest blast furnace in the world was lighted last week at Youngstown, Ohio. It has capacity of 600 tons every twenty-four hours and is 100 feet high.

Incipient consumption is cured by Dr. Bull's Pink Tar-Honey. Inflammation is allayed and the clogging of the lungs is stopped. When this is accomplished the road to health is a straight one. Get a bottle today.

## GOOD THINGS.

If you have the palate of an epicure, or a "sweet tooth," each can be satisfied to the full from our shelves and counters, which are

**Loaded With All the Good Things the Earth Produces.**

No more choice and complete line of things good to eat can be found in any store except a large city grocery. That's what ours is. It is not situated in a large city, but it is not in any "hen-coop of a town," and our customers know a good thing when they see it. Hence we are able to carry a magnificent stock of Groceries, and to sell them at close figures. Buy your eating from our shelves, and you will have a good taste in your mouth for a month.

**St. Bernard Gen'l Store.**

Senator Albert J. Beveridge in his famous speech in the United States Senate, told one side of his experiences in the Philippines. The other and more personal side—what he saw and heard of the American Soldier in the Field, he will tell exclusively in an early number of the Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia.

### A Warning.

Pain or soreness in the back must never be slighted. Kidney diseases creep on with only that one warning. Delay is folly when by timely use of Morley's Liver and Kidney Cordial, the great System renovator all danger can be avoided. This remedy is a positive cure for Kidney and Urinary Troubles. Sold by Campbell & Co.

The United States produced during the year 1899 about 8,250,000 boxes of tin andterne plate, the largest output of any year.

Are you restless at night and harassed by a bad cough? Use Coughs' Honey of Tar; it will secure you sound sleep, and effect a prompt and radical cure. Price 25c and 50c. St. Bernard Druggists.

A jurymen in the Moineux trial says he would not go through such another experience, especially with the handwriting experts, for a good farm.

Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment is no panacea. But it is recommended for piles only. These it will cure. Price 50 cents in bottles; tubes, 75 cents. St. Bernard Druggists.

A huge batch of discarded Filipino postal stamps and cards has been sold in Manila for 50,000 Mexican dollars. The purchase was a speculation in stamp collecting.

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